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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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In response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2002, in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully submit the following Response. Applicants believe that no fees are due. Should Applicants be in error and additional time for responding to this Office Action is required, please consider this paper a conditional petition for an extension of time and conditional authorization to charge fees to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

AMENDMENT

In the Drawings

The Examiner has requested amendments to the drawings to include the following reference signs mentioned in the description, but not included in the drawings: processor 22 in Figure 5, display 24 in Figure 5, right side 77, current position 110, a display controller in Figure 12. Enclosed are marked-up copies of FIGS. 5, 7, and 14 with amendments indicated in red and marked-up copies of originally filed FIGS. 1 and 9 that